

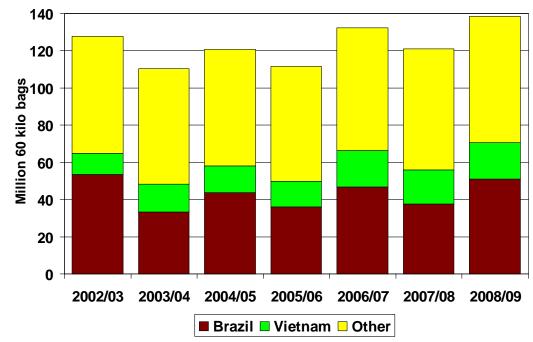
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## **Tropical Products:** World Markets and Trade

## **Revised World Coffee Production Forecast Remains on Track for Record**



Coffee: 2008/09 Revised Forecast Overview

Starting in 2009, this report will be published biannually in June and December and renamed "Coffee: World Markets and Trade".

## • Revised coffee production still forecast at record 138.4 million bags

World coffee production in 2008/09 is still forecast at a record 138.4 million bags (60 kilograms or 132.276 pounds), despite a reduction of 2.2 million bags from the June forecast. Vietnam was lowered 2 million bags from the June forecast to total 19.5 million bags because production was overstated. A similar revision was made to Vietnam's 2006/07 production figure. The forecasts for Brazil and Colombia remain unchanged at 51.1 million bags and 12.2 million bags, respectively. Ethiopia was revised downward 1 million bags to total 5 million bags due to below-average rainfall. Honduras was raised 500,000 bags to total 4.1 million bags primarily as a result of higher fertilizer utilization. The Honduran Coffee Institute sold fertilizer to a majority of the country's coffee producers at favorable terms. Uganda was adjusted up 550,000 bags to total 3.4 million bags due to favorable rainfall.